

# BENEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

## Draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 11th July 2022

<b>Councillors Present</b>	<b>Robert Bullimore, Alf Pridmore, Graham Shatford (Chair), and Alan Tarbuck</b>
<b>Also Present</b>	<b>Ward Councillor Charlie Best and Sue Cook (Clerk)</b>

- 741 Apologies had been received from Cllrs Cutmore, Groom and Naylor all were accepted
- 742 There were no declarations of interest
- 743 No members of the public were present
- 744 Cllr Charlie Best gave the Meeting an insight into his role as Ward Councillor. He was elected in February at the By-Election, he is trying to get to as many Parish Council meetings as he can, he is having regular meetings with Oundle Town Council Clerk and is still getting to know who to talk to at NNC. He is a Liberal Democrat but is also a member of the Green Alliance. As part of the Green Alliance they would like to see more monies passed on the Wards. The merging of the 4 Borough Council is not going as quickly as it should be. There has to be a New Strategic Plan for NNC. It seems that the same issues are across Charlie's ward, mainly speeding traffic. Cllr Shatford asked about the possibility of traffic calming on the A427. Cllr Best informed the meeting that there is no extra money in the budget.
- 745 The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting, Annual Parish Council Meeting and Full Council Meeting held on Monday 16th May were approved and signed by Cllr Shatford.
- 746 Grass Cutting and Litter Picking. The 4th cut of grass cutting has been carried out to the usual high standard. It is believed that the grass cutters carried out a litter pick before cutting, if necessary Mr Cook will carry out a litter pick between grass cuts.
- 747 Footpath - NNC have again written to number 14 Upper Benefield, NNC are following the correct procedure and will if necessary cut the hedge themselves. Cllr Tarbuck suggested that the Parish Council employ someone to carry out some sidingout work as done in the past.  
The Clerk will submit a community grant application for the VAS as advertised in the latest newsletter from the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner.
- 748 No update on the War Memorial. The Clerk agreed to contact Mrs Berridge for an update and to contact Weldon British Legion for information on the brass plaque on Weldon War Memorial.
- 749 Floral Carpet - held over to the next meeting.
- 750 It was resolved that a letter of thanks should be sent to Queen's Platinum Jubilee Committee for making it such a lovely celebration for the residents.
- 751 Finance
- a) There is currently £13092.29 in the bank after the payment of £1001.91 has been made as the Parish Council contribution towards the cost of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations and a VAT refund of £281.52 has been received. The Clerk has also processed another VAT Claim of 201.32

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b) The following payments were approved in line with currently legislation

Details	Value	Cheque
Mowerman Cuts 3 & 4	£720.00	741
Sue Cook – Salary plus expenses	£265.70	742
Npower - Street Lighting	£360.30	743

752 Planning - there were no new plans to discuss.

**Outstanding Applications waiting for Decisions since 16th May**

- a) NE/22/00486/AMD | Non material amendment to allow for change to the internal layout of plot 1 pursuant to 18/02408/FUL. Conversion of listed farm buildings to create 3 dwellings together with demolition of modern agricultural buildings and construction of 2 new build dwellings. | Rectory Farm Buildings Main Street Lower – **Approved**
- b) NE/22/00467/CND | Discharge of conditions pursuant to application 18/02408/FUL - Conversion of listed farm buildings to create 3 dwellings together with demolition of modern agricultural buildings and construction of 2 new build dwellings. To crush concrete on site and re use for aggregates Condition 7 - crushing etc | Rectory Farm Buildings Main Street Lower Benefield PE8 5AF – **Approved**
- c) NE/22/00491/CND | Discharge of conditions pursuant to 19/01480/LBC. Conversion and extension of redundant agricultural building to create a single-family dwelling. Condition 3: Materials Condition 4: Joinery details Condition 5: Archaeology programme | Milking Parlour Main Street Upper – No comment required from Parish Council **Approved** by NNC
- d) NE/21/01698/LBC, & NE/21/01697/FUL – Various works at Rectory Farmhouse – **Still Outstanding**
- e) **NE/21/01164/FUL & 01165/LBC** Repair and improve the boundary wall between pavement and front garden; Change existing single glazed windows to slimline double glazed at Berkeley House Main Street Lower – **Still Outstanding**

7530 The following items of **Correspondence** had been circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting. All were noted with no further action

- a) Newsletters from Jason Smithers, leader of NNC
- b) Newsletter from Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner
- c) Invite to Corby Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan Stakeholder Workshop

754 There were no Future agenda items at this time.

755 The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 12th September in Benefield Village Hall starting at 6:30p.m.

This being all the business the meeting was closed at 7:15p.m.

Signature	Date
	12th September 2022